



KENTUCKY BOARD OF EDUCATION

OCTOBER BOARD NOTES

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COMMENTS FROM VICE CHAIR ROGER MARCUM, KENTUCKY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Due to the illness of Chair David Karem, I stepped in at the October meeting to chair the session. Thus, I will make a few observations about the meeting.

The Kentucky Board of Education does listen to its constituencies and wants to hear your viewpoints. Two decisions made by the board at the October meeting illustrate the importance of input from others.



First, the board extended the continuation of the Commonwealth Diploma program an additional year. Second, we delayed the timeline for the implementation of a world language program review by two full years. Both decisions were due to feedback we received from legislators, superintendents, teachers and other constituents.

Please continue to let us hear from you as policy decisions and regulations come before the state board.

BOARD DELAYS IMPLEMENTATION DATE OF WORLD LANGUAGE PROGRAM REVIEW

As part of the October 5 Kentucky Board of Education meeting, the board was apprised of concerns from legislators, superintendents, teachers and others about the timeline for requiring the world language program review that is included in state regulation 703 KAR 5:230, approved in August 2011. Commissioner Holliday advised the board that the concerns were widespread among superintendents and advised that a delay in the timeline can be used to educate all constituencies on how world language can be implemented effectively at all levels.

After much discussion that clearly reflected the board's commitment to the teaching of world language, a motion was approved to change the timeline for the world language program review at all levels. The new timeline would call for development and educational planning to occur in 2011-12 and 2012-13, educational planning and a pilot in 2013-14, implementation in 2014-15 and accountability in 2015-16.

For more information on this item, contact Felicia Smith at (502) 564-9850 or via e-mail at Felicia.Smith@education.ky.gov.

COMMONWEALTH DIPLOMA PROGRAM EXTENDED AN ADDITIONAL YEAR

Due to input from legislators, school district personnel and parents, Kentucky Department of Education staff recommended to the board that the Commonwealth Diploma program be continued an additional year, with no funding, before its discontinuation. It was conveyed that this would allow those already in the pipeline to earn the diploma to complete the program. This would extend the life of the program through the 2012-13 school year and give more time for other options to be developed to take the place of the Commonwealth Diploma. The board unanimously approved this proposal.

For more information on the extension of the Commonwealth Diploma program, contact Robin Chandler at (502) 564-9850 or via e-mail at robin.chandler@education.ky.gov.

2012-2014 BIENNIAL BUDGET APPROVED

Members of the state board gave approval to the additional funding request items and the overall biennial budget request so that these can be submitted to the Governor's Office of Policy and Management in November for consideration as part of the 2012-2014 budget. The total of additional funding requests for 2012-14 is \$828,325,500 and this is part of a total operating budget of \$5,216,257,861.

The breakout of additional funding requests can be found below:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Program Area</u>	<u>FY13</u>	<u>FY14</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Funding Indicator</u>
Assessment - Additional funding for four initial End-of-Course courses - Funding for four additional End-of-Course courses - Increase in cost for Summative Assessment	Assessment	\$950,000	\$6,784,000	\$7,734,000	N
ACT/WorkKeys Additional Funding	Assessment	\$50,500	\$316,000	\$366,500	R
College and Career Readiness Funding - Additional Advance Kentucky funding (\$5.9 million in FY 13 and \$8.6 million in FY 14 to increase school participation) - Early College Expansion	CCR	\$12,700,000	\$15,400,000	\$28,100,000	I

(approximately \$1.8 million/year) - Expand Project Lead the Way (approximately \$5 million/year)					
Restore Flexible Focus Funding (PD, Safe Schools, ESS, Textbook and Preschool) to FY08 Levels	Flexible Focus	\$55,100,000	\$55,100,000	\$110,200,000	R
Going from half-day to full-day Kindergarten	Kindergarten	\$124,000,000	\$124,000,000	\$248,000,000	N
Speech Language Pathologist/Audiologist Salary Supplement (KRS 157.397)	Operational	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	\$3,600,000	N
Facilities Inventory and Classification System - KSB/KSD Assessments - IMPACT software - Comet hosting/data import - Project Manager	Operational	\$1,700,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,700,000	I
Funding for new locally operated vocational schools	Operational	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000	I
KECSAC	Operational	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$16,000,000	I
Additional preschool funding (approximately \$26 million/year to increase service to four year old children up to 200% of federal poverty level)	Preschool	\$26,000,000	\$26,000,000	\$52,000,000	I
Additional Commonwealth School Improvement Funding: - To include an additional 150 non- title one schools (approximately \$2.4 million/year) - District 180 funding request for Cohort 1 ERLs/ERS (Approximately \$3.5 million/year)	School Improvement	\$5,900,000	\$6,650,000	\$12,550,000	I

- CLE funding for FY14 (\$750K for 3 centers)					
Additional SEEK Transportation	SEEK Related	\$150,000,000	\$175,000,000	\$325,000,000	I
Additional funds for National Board Certification	SEEK Related	\$1,250,000	\$2,250,000	\$3,500,000	I
Teacher Effectiveness and Evaluation: - Validity and Reliability Studies (\$1.1 million/yr). - Maintenance of Reliability System (\$1million/yr). - Ongoing Personnel/Training costs (\$880,000/yr). - TELL KY Working Conditions Survey (\$175,000 for year 1 and \$90,000 for year 2) - Teach for America Program (\$75,000/year state component)	Teacher Effectiveness /Evaluation	\$3,230,000	\$3,145,000	\$6,375,000	N
Increase school bandwidth capacity	Technology	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$3,000,000	I
Restore KEN funding to FY08 levels	Technology	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	\$2,400,000	R
Restoring KETS (education technology) funding to FY08 levels	Technology	\$2,400,000	\$2,400,000	\$4,800,000	R
KDE Totals		\$396,780,500	\$431,545,000	\$828,325,500	

For more information on the Kentucky Department of Education's budget submission, contact Hiren Desai at (502) 564-1976 or via e-mail at Hiren.Desai@education.ky.gov.

KENTUCKY BOARD OF EDUCATION LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR THE 2012 LEGISLATIVE SESSION APPROVED

As part of the October 5 meeting, the board approved its legislative agenda for the 2012 legislative session. Four items were approved as follows:

Compulsory School Attendance

Amend KRS 159.010 to raise the compulsory school age for attendance from 16 to 18.

Under the current law, students in Kentucky are eligible to leave school, before graduating, at the age of 16. This proposed change will raise compulsory school age to 18. This statutory change will be supported by many initiatives being undertaken by the department and local districts through the dropout prevention grants as well as through other means. An estimated 6,500 Kentucky students drop out of grades 9-12 each year. Many programs exist to support retaining these students including access to dual credit, middle college, career learning (CTE), credit recovery and alternative education programs.

Innovation

Amend and add new sections to the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Expand current and craft new statutes to provide additional flexibility for districts in organizing schools and instructional programs to meet the needs of students. There are several tools to support innovative pathways to graduation including AdvanceKY, Alternative Programming, Early/Middle College, Competency-Based Graduation, Board Examination Systems, Advanced/Dual Credit, and Digital Learning.

Preschool Funding

Amend KRS 157.226 to adjust the preschool funding formula.

The current formula is based on the December 1 count of the previous year (December 1, 2009) for each preschool funding category: at-risk, speech, developmental delay, and severe. Additional funds from a supplemental 3s count (three-year-olds with disabilities) are included in each district's allocation. Districts whose enrollments decreased more than five percent from the last two December 1 counts receive a negative funding adjustment and districts whose enrollment increased by more than five percent receive a growth adjustment. By removing the five percent negative and positive (growth) adjustments, funding is stabilized for the districts and they can plan decisions on more current data.

Career and Technology Education

Amend and add new sections to the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

The Transforming Education in Kentucky (TEK) Task Force provided numerous recommendations including improving prospects for students in career and technology education programs. The Career and Technical Education Steering Committee has released a draft report with recommendations centered on streamlining operations of the state and local centers as well as on improving and aligning curriculum, developing programs and professional development.

For more information on the legislative agenda, contact Tracy Herman at (502) 564-4474 or via e-mail at Tracy.Herman@education.ky.gov.

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION REGULATION APPROVED

704 KAR 19:001, Alternative Education Programs (Final) was given final approval in August. Kentucky Department of Education staff noted that the regulation is being promulgated to provide a better framework for local districts to address issues surrounding alternative education programs. The regulation includes a definition for alternative education programs, data to be tracked by districts through the student information system and how districts will catalogue expenditures of alternative education programs.

For more information on 704 KAR 19:001, contact Associate Commissioner Dewey Hensley at (502) 564-4772 or via e-mail at Dewey.Hensley@education.ky.gov or Associate Commissioner Kevin Brown at (502) 564-4472 or via e-mail at Kevin.Brown@education.ky.gov.

OTHER ITEMS APPROVED AT THE OCTOBER MEETING WERE:

- Minutes from the August 3-4, 2011, retreat and regular meetings
- Request for a waiver of 704 KAR 3:285, Section 9(a) from the Ballard County School District
- New District Facility Plans: Boyle, Hardin, Ohio, Owen, Spencer and Webster County School Districts and Fort Thomas Independent School District
- 2011-2012 Local District Tax Rates Levied
- Commissioner of Education's Evaluation Document and 2011-12 Goals
- Appointment of Brigitte Ramsey, Chair, and Bill Twyman and Dorie Combs, members, of the Joseph Kelly and Johnnie Grissom Award Selection Committee
- Appointment of Vearl Pennington to fill the temporary vacancy on the Bath County Board of Education created by the suspension of William Boyd

OTHER ITEMS REVIEWED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN WERE:

- Recognition of C.B. Akins for his service on the Kentucky Board of Education
- 703 KAR 5:070, Inclusion of Special Populations in the State-Required Assessment and Accountability Programs
- 703 KAR 5:240, Next-Generation Learners Procedures
- Repeal of Assessment and Accountability Regulations (to be replaced by 703 KAR 5:240)
 - 703 KAR 5:002, Repeal of 703 KAR 5:001, Assessment and accountability definitions
 - 703 KAR 5:021, Repeal of 703 KAR 5:020, The formula for determining school accountability
 - 703 KAR 5:041, Repeal of 703 KAR 5:040, Statewide Assessment and Accountability Program; relating accountability to A1 schools and A2-A6 programs
 - 703 KAR 5:051, Repeal of 703 KAR 5:050, Statewide Assessment and Accountability Program; school building appeal of performance judgments
 - 703 KAR 5:061, Repeal of 703 KAR 5:060, Interim assessment and accountability process
 - 703 KAR 5:131, Repeal of 703 KAR 5:130, School district accountability
 - 703 KAR 5:161, Repeal of 703 KAR 5:160, Commonwealth Accountability Testing System administration procedures
- 703 KAR 5:140, Requirements for school and district report cards

- Hearing Officer's Report
- Teach for America Update
- Common Kindergarten Entry Assessment Regulation
- Audit Update and Review of the Commissioner's and Board's Expenses
- KDE Employment Report
- Comprehensive Overview: Teacher and Leader Effectiveness from Preparation to Practice
- Overview of 2010-11 State Assessment Results

KBE MEETING DATES

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<u>2011</u>	<u>Type of Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
December 7, 2011	Regular meeting	Frankfort

KBE MEETING DATES 2012

February 1, 2012	Regular meeting	Frankfort
April 4, 2012	Regular meeting	Frankfort
June 6, 2012	Regular meeting	Frankfort
August 8-9, 2012	KBE Retreat meeting & Regular meeting	Frankfort
October 10, 2012	Regular meeting	Frankfort
December 5, 2012	Regular meeting	Frankfort

KBE MEETING DATES 2013

February 6, 2013	Regular meeting	Frankfort
April 10, 2013	Regular meeting	Frankfort
June 5, 2013	Regular meeting	Frankfort
August 7-8, 2013	KBE Retreat meeting & Regular meeting	Frankfort
October 9, 2013	Regular meeting	Frankfort
December 4, 2013	Regular meeting	Frankfort

For questions on meeting dates, contact Mary Ann Miller at 502-564-3141 or via e-mail at MaryAnn.Miller@education.ky.gov.

The actions described above were taken in open session of the Kentucky Board of Education at the October 5, 2011, regular meeting conducted in the State Board Room, Capital Plaza Tower, 1st Floor, Frankfort, Kentucky. This information is provided in summary form, and an official record of the meeting is available on tape in the permanent records of the Kentucky Board of Education, First Floor, Capital Plaza Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. These records are open for inspection Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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